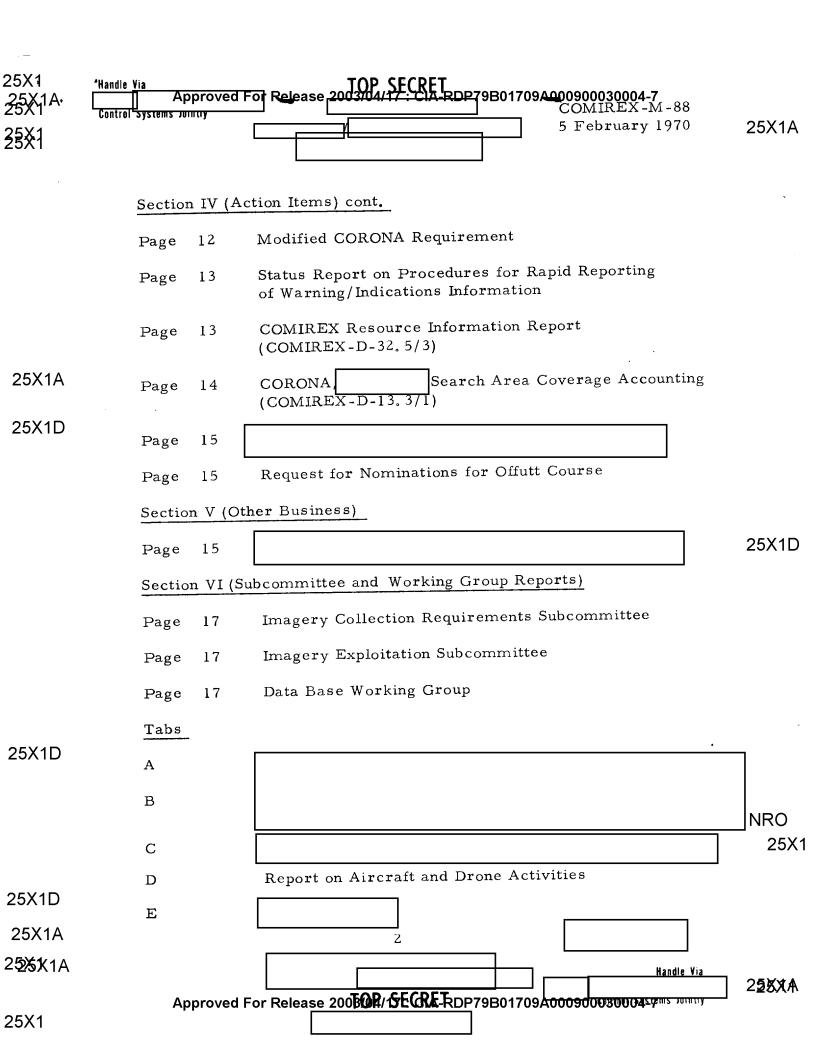
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5X1A	Intermittent focus and image smear problems encountered during that mission raised problems as to effective use of UTB film on future missions. Today's briefing by will review the steps taken by NRO since then leading to the presently scheduled use of SO-380 for upcoming Mission 1109.	
5X1A	displayed examples of photography from 1105 to demonstrate the nature of the problems present in that mission. He explained that the image quality variation experienced during 1105 had been of serious concern to the operators since they did not understand precisely why it occurred and feared a basic defect in SO-380 that might cause a major failure on a future mission. After a thorough technical review, however, the NRO discovered the main problem on 1105 had been the variations in the film's "lift"	
	as it passed over the lens opening. It was determined that film flatness or lift bears a direct relation to the temperature, which the operators can control by proper selection of orbit and altitude for the vehicle. He reported on the very extensive testing on film movement which had been done for Mission 1109.	
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25X1A	3. In closing, recalled that one problem with the SO-380 was smear. Eastman Kodak has just come out with a new SO-349 film providing the same resolution but with a two-thirds decrease in speed which should result in less smear. He hoped to have an early test of this new film.	
	4. The Chairman thanked and referred to the Committee's high interest in UTB at this time because of the very austere KH-4 launch schedule for the coming months. The	25X1A
25X1D	NRO had recently indicated that, the present KH-4 schedule can be expected to provide a level of only about 70 percent area search coverage which is	25X1D
25X1A	significantly below the level specified in current standing requirements. commented that, since UTB offers the capability of providing increased area coverage for a given mission while at the same time maintaining a high quality of imagery, COMIREX is encouraged to see SO-380 planned for Mission 1109. /Subsequently, problems with the functioning of UTB film were encountered during the pre-launch check-out of Mission 1109, making it advisable to cancel the operational use of SO-380 at this time. The mission, which will now carry STB film, has been postponed for some weeks.	

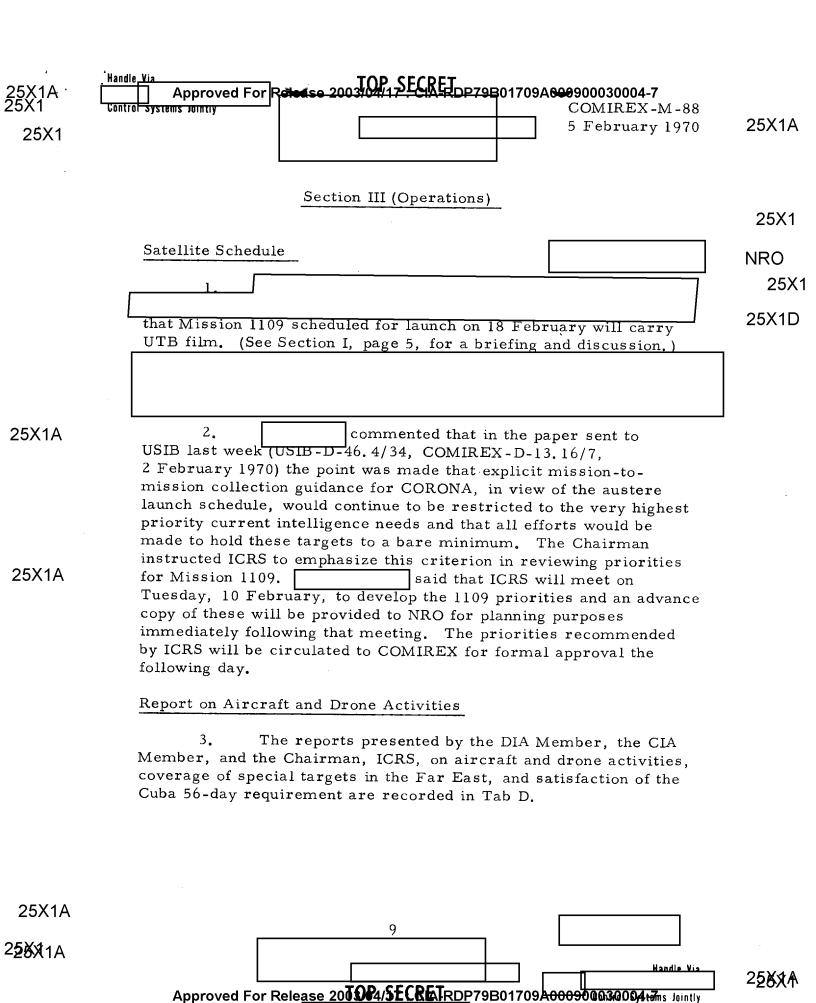
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	2. Members were asked to notify the Executive Secretary if there were any changes to the Minutes for the special meeting held 29 January 1970. /There having been no request for change subsequent	
	to the meeting, COMIREX-M-87A will be noted as approved.	
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Status Report on Procedures for Rapid Reporting of Warning/ Indications Information
Indications information
8. reported that representatives of
NPIC and the National Indications Center (NIC) have completed a draft on procedures for the rapid reporting of warning/indications
information which should be in the hands of EXSUBCOM within the
next week or so. (See COMIREX-M-83, Section IV, paragraph 12.)
COMIREX Resource Information Report (COMIREX-D-32.5/3)
9. reported that the comments he had
received relative to the usefulness and format of the Quarterly COMIREX Resource Information Report indicated that it is
desirable to continue to collect the resource information, although
some changes in data input and presentation should be considered. However, recommended and the Chairman agreed that
any changes considered in the man-hour report format be deferred
until the report for the first quarter of FY 1971 in order to maintain continuity of the FY 1969/1970 man-hour statistics.
10. The Chairman felt that DIA's decision to provide data on man-hours expended by OPIC-A is an important step forward.
commented that one of the key points in the potential
utility of this information is to give a perspective of over-all activity. He felt that consideration should be given to providing a general
exploitation resources application figure for each component; NPIC
is the only one for which such data is presently available. The Chairman requested that, over the next reporting period, each member
explore the feasibility of having this information provided by his
Agency and report on this point to the Office of the Chairman. The information would not have to be in great detail but simply a gross
figure which would show the relationship between resources devoted
to basic exploitation and those devoted to direct support exploitation.
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i	11. The recommendations set forth by in COMIREX-D-32.5/3 were approved. noted that he has the second-quarter information from the services but still	25X1A 25X1A
	needs it from CIA, DIA, and NPIC. The Chairman asked that this information be provided to as soon as possible.	25X1A
25X1A	CORONA Search Area Coverage Accounting (COMIREX-D-13, 3/1)	25X1A 25X1
	12. The Chairman noted that, as reported in COMIREX-D-13.3/1, he had requested the Director of Basic and Geographic Intelligence (OBGI/CIA) to provide certain maps in support of our efforts to more precisely define the CORONA search target areas for both collection and coverage-accounting purposes. The Director, OBGI, has agreed to proceed with preparation of the requested map series.	25X1A 25X1A
	13. The Chairman referred to two sample maps of South China that were distributed by Members of the COMIREX staff have been experimenting with ways in	25X1A
25X1A	which information and data on target coverage and area coverage can be produced and maintained. Explained that a base map of South China has been prepared for use in target and area coverage accounting for that area. The map is formatted so that information can be transferred to it by computer printing process, thus making it possible, using the current COMIREX target deck, to depict graphically targets of varying priority, targets covered or not covered in a given time period, status of area coverage, and the like. asked that the samples be treated as working	25X1A
25X1A	papers and anyone who had specific comments was encouraged to make them known to the staff. No formal action is requested at this stage. noted that one reason for starting with South China was to depict the current status of rail lines so that areas related to rail line search can be brought up to date.	

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4. The Chairman, DBWG, said that he had no progress to report on the Object Data File. ______ commented that this was an area in which he hopes to see some movement evident soon.

Executive Secretary

Committee on Imagery Requirements and Exploitation

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Report on Aircraft and Drone Activities

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BUMPY ACTION (23 January - 5 February 1970)

DATE	MSN NO.	AREAS/TARGETS	RESULTS
24 Jan	Q548A/463(1ow)	SAM 263, Bac Mai Afld, Hanoi Port Fac, Yen Vien RR Yd	MARS
24 Jan	Q604/464(1ow)	Ken An Afld, Cat Bi Afld, Hen Gai NVB/Shpyd, Hon Gai Port, Cam Pha Port	MARS -
27 Jan	Q605/468(low)	Yen Lac Cav Stor, My Hau Mil Instl	MARS
27 Jan	Q606/469(low)	SAM Sites, Vinh Afld	MARS
28 Jan	Q607/470(1ow)	Segs Hwy 7, Quang Lang Afld, Vinh Son Complex	MARS
29 Jan	Q596/471(low)	Kien An Afld, Haiphong Nav Base, Haiphong Port, Hon Gai NVB, Hon Gai Port, Cam Pha Port	MARS
29 Jan	Q594/472(1ow)	Bai Thuong Afld, Thanh Hoa Army Bks So	MARS
30 Jan	Q913/473(high)	Port Wallut, Tien Yen, Lang Son, Cao Bang, Bac Lan, Tuyen Quang, Yen Bai, Na San	MARS
2 Feb	Q588/477(low)	Thanh Hoa Army Bks, Bai Thuong Afld, Hai Yen Cstl TSP, Vinh Cave Stor, Phu Qui	MARS
2 Feb	Q501/478(1ow)	Hwy 1A & RR, Vinh Afld, Dong Hoa	MARS

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Date	Msn No	Areas/Targets	Results
3 Feb	Q511A/479(1ow)	Kien An Afld, Cat Bi Afld	MARS
4 Feb	Q545A/481(1ow)	Cam Pha Port, Yen Vien RR Yd, Gia Lam Afld, Hanoi Port Fac	MARS
4 Feb	Q575/482(1ow)	Hoa Loc Afld, Phuc Yen Afld, Kep Afld	MARS
5 Feb	Q609/483(low)	Haiphong Port Fac, Haiphong SAM Site	MARS
		Successful 14	
		Lost 0	

GIANT SCALE (23 January - 5 February 1970)

DATE	MSN NO.	AREAS/TARGETS	RESULTS
29 Jan	GS 221	Dong Hoi, Quang Khe, Vinh, My Hau Hai Yen, Hwys 1A, 7, 15, RR 6, 7	FAIR
3 Feb	GS 224	Dong Hai, Quang Khe, Ben Thuy, Vinh, Hai Yen, My Hau, Hwys 1A,7, 15, 8, Area Search	UNKNOWN

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FOOD FAIR (23 January - 5 February 1970)

No FOOD FAIR activity was scheduled during this period.

IDEALIST/TACKLE (23 January - 5 February 1970)

There was not any IDEALIST/TACKLE activity reported during this period.

Coverage of Special Targets in South China and North Vietnam (23 January - 4 February 1970)

Coverage of special targets in South China and North Vietnam was reported as follows:

- a. No surveillance coverage was reported on Lines of Communication (LOC) targets pertinent to the introduction of Chinese forces into North Vietnam (see COMOR-D-25/207, 4 March 1966) during the period 22 January 4 February 1970. The number of such targets remains at 331.
- b. Coverage of North Vietnam to detect the possible introduction or deployment of offensive missile systems (see COMOR-D-25/200, 23 May 1967, and COMIREX-D-25.3/2, 20 November 1967) is shown on the attached grid maps (pages D-5 and D-6) for the following time periods.

Period	Missions Not Reported		
15-21 January 1970	2 BUMPY ACTION		
22-28 January 1970	2 BUMPY ACTION		

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OLD HEAD (23 January - 5 February 1970)

No OLD HEAD missions were flown during this period. The cumulative coverage for the current 56-day period remains at 94.1 percent. (See Section IV, paragraph 3, for discussion of Cuba coverage.)

Status of 56-Day Coverage

The status of coverage for the 56-day periods shown below is as follows:

PERIOD	AREA COVERAGE	TARGET COVERAGE	NUMBEI Flown	R OF MIS Expl Area	SIONS oited Targets
¹ 4 Dec 69 - 28 Ja n 70	98.2%	169 of 177	6		6
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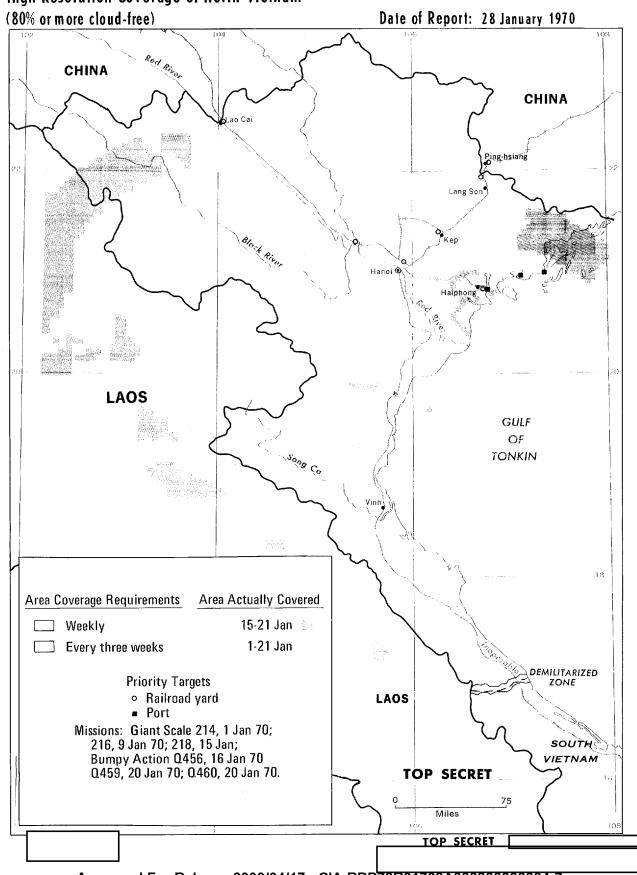
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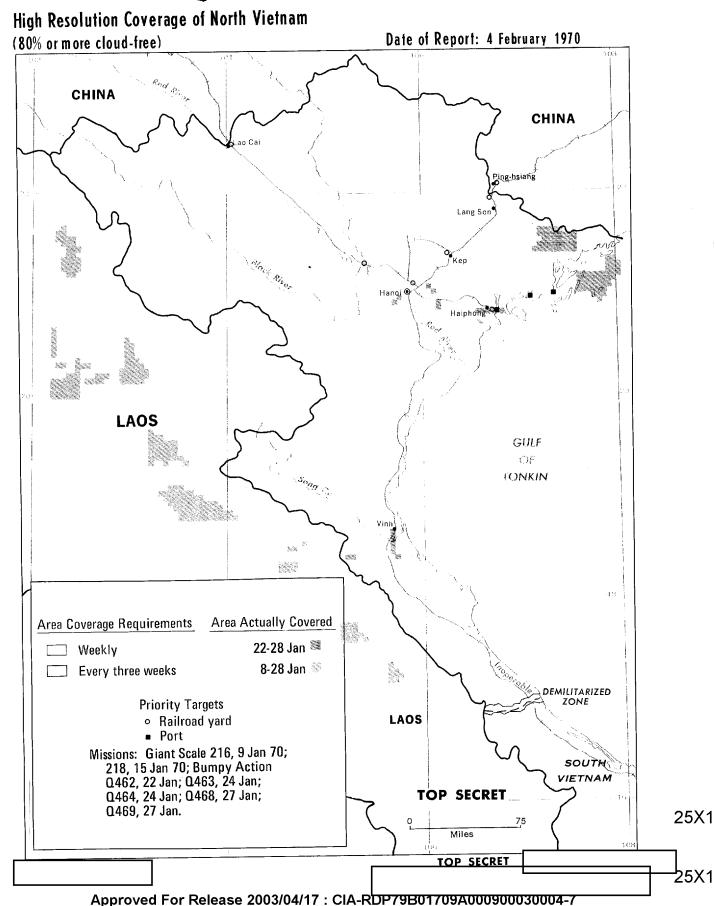
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